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"IMAGING OF LIGHT SCATTERING	§		
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CONTRAST AGENTS"	§		
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### TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified continuation patent application. A copy of the cited art is included in the file of the parent application, S.N. 09/367,148. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), the Examiner is requested to see that file for a copy of the cited art.

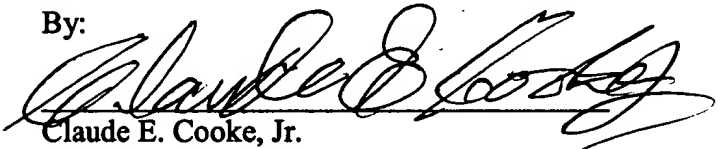
Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that these references are material to the patentability of the present divisional application.

As this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the first office action on the merits, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), Applicants believe no fee is required. Should a fee be required, the Examiner is hereby requested to accept this transmittal as a petition therefor, and is authorized to charge any fee due to Baker Botts L.L.P. (*formerly, Baker & Botts, L.L.P.*) Deposit Account No. 02-0383, Order No. 017575.0680.

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